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Honorable Board of Commissioners
Housing Authority of the
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Commissioners:

**ACCEPTANCE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR
PROJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THE 2014-2015 ACTION PLAN FOR THE ALLOCATION
OF FEDERAL FUNDS
(ALL DISTRICTS)**

SUBJECT

This letter recommends the use of \$4,085,328 in Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the Community Development Commission (Commission). These funds are used for CDBG-eligible programs administered by the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (Housing Authority) and included in the County of Los Angeles' (County) Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Action Plan. This letter relates to two other items appearing on today's agenda for the Board of Supervisors and the Board of Commissioners of the Commission.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the use of \$4,085,328 in CDBG funds for FY 2014-2015 is not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not defined as a project under CEQA.
2. Authorize the Housing Authority to accept \$3,878,295 in Fiscal Year 2014-2015 CDBG funds from the Commission, and to continue administration of \$207,033 in prior year CDBG funds, which will be requested for incorporation into the Housing Authority's Fiscal Year 2014-2015 budget through the Housing Authority's annual budget approval process, subject to final notification of approval by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (Cranston/Gonzalez Housing Act), as amended in 1992, requires that the County provide a single, consolidated submission of the proposed expenditure of funds to be eligible for HUD formula grant funding, including CDBG, HOME Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Solutions Grant. The Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (Action Plan) satisfies these federal requirements to provide for the release of funds.

The Action Plan identifies a total of \$3,878,295 in new CDBG funds for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 for projects to be administered by the Housing Authority. The purpose of this letter is to authorize these funds to be included into the Housing Authority's budget, and to continue administration of \$207,033 in prior year CDBG funds. Attachment A provides a breakdown of the funds allocated to the Housing Authority by project, as well as a description of each project to be funded.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact on the County general fund. The Action Plan allocates \$3,878,295 in new Fortieth Program Year (July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015) CDBG funds and \$207,033 from prior year CDBG funds that will be included in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Housing Authority budget approval process.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On May 28, 2013, the Board of Supervisors approved the Five-Year Consolidated Plan for 2013-2018 and the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Action Plan. These documents have been updated as required by HUD. The current Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Action Plan ends on June 30, 2014, and a new plan must be adopted by the Board of Supervisors in order to receive continued funding from HUD. The Action Plan includes a description of the activities to be undertaken during Fiscal Year 2014-2015 to address the objectives of the Consolidated Plan's five-year strategy. A list of the Housing Authority projects included in the Action Plan is provided in Attachment A.

All of the projects proposed in the Action Plan are being federally funded. As applicable, the administering agencies will be subject to the prevailing wage requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act, and related Acts, and Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968, as amended, which requires that employment and other economic opportunities generated by certain HUD assistance be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly to persons who are recipients of HUD housing assistance. However, where Section 3 is not applicable, the agencies will be subject to the County's Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program and General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program, which furthers the same or similar goals.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The acceptance of 40th year CDBG funds from the Commission is exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 58, Section 58.34 (a)(3), because it is an administrative action and does not involve activities that will alter existing environmental conditions. The action is not subject to the provisions of CEQA, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(3) and 15378, because it is not defined as a project under CEQA and does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

Each program within the Action Plan will be reviewed for environmental impact on a project-by-project basis before funding is released.

IMPACT ON CURRENT PROJECTS

The projects contained in the Action Plan will benefit low- and moderate-income residents of the unincorporated County and participating cities.

Respectfully submitted,



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Executive Director

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Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A
HOUSING AUTHORITY PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

	PROJECTS (New Funding)	
Project Title (District)	Project Description	Funding
Francisquito Villa Senior and 4 th & Mednik Family Public Housing Exterior Painting (First)	Provides for the exterior painting of all exterior areas at the Francisquito Villa Senior and 4 th & Mednik Family Public Housing Developments located. Work will include the replacement of any damaged fascia, wood trim, balcony railings, gutters, downspouts, carports, and new building signage.	\$200,000
Herbert Senior Public Housing Site Improvements (First)	Provides for the replacement of the deteriorated asphalt parking surfaces, curbs, gutters, driveway and all applicable ADA requirements at the Herbert Senior Public Housing Development. The project will also upgrade the laundry room including the replacement of flooring with VCT tile and sink replacement.	\$138,000
Herbert Senior Public Housing Cabling (First)	Provides for the installation of cabling and wiring to allow residents access to cable television, wireless connectivity, and internet at the Herbert Senior Public Housing Development.	\$71,000
East County Public Housing Common Area Lighting (First)	Provides for the upgrade of all common area exterior lighting with new energy efficient light fixtures at Herbert, Francisquito Villa, and Arizona/Olympic.	\$89,000
Nueva Maravilla Community Center and Site Improvements (First)	Provides for the replacement of damaged concrete walkways and paths to the Nueva Maravilla Community Center. Additionally, the project will repair the center courtyard area, replace the exterior wrought iron fencing, replace the air conditioning system in the Community Center, and install basketball courts.	\$332,000

	PROJECTS (New Funding cont'd)	
Project Title (District)	Project Description	Funding
Nueva Maravilla Public Senior Housing Interior Unit Flooring (First)	Provides for the replacement of the deteriorated unit flooring at the Nueva Maravilla senior housing development with new flooring such as VCT tile, carpet, and sheet vinyl. The project will also procure a vendor as needed to move furniture for the residents during the floor replacement process.	\$580,000
South Scattered Public Housing Sites Exterior Painting (Second)	Provides for the exterior painting of all exterior areas at four South County Public Housing Developments. Work will include the replacement of any damaged fascia, wood trim, balcony railings, gutters, downspouts, carports and new building signage.	\$232,000
South Scattered Public Housing Sites Roof Repair (Second)	This new project will replace the deteriorated roofing at three South County Public Housing Developments with "cool" roofing. The project includes the removal and replacement of the existing roof and new flashing, down spouts, and gutters.	\$388,000
Century & Wilton Public Housing Site Improvements (Second)	Provides for the patch and repair of all damaged and cracked concrete stairs and hallways. Additionally, provides for the remodel of 20 unit kitchens to include the installation of new cabinets, solid surface counters, flooring, light fixtures, sinks, faucets, and outlets in kitchens.	\$443,000
Mary B. Henry Community Clinic Rehabilitation (Second)	Provides for the completion of extensive exterior and interior rehabilitation at the Housing Authority property at 10901 S. Vermont Avenue, where the Mary B. Henry Wilmington Community Clinic is located.	\$82,145
Westknoll and Palm Senior Public Housing Roof Replacement (Third)	Provides for the replacement of the deteriorated roofing at the West Knoll and Palm Senior Public Housing with "cool" roofing. The project includes the removal and replacement of the existing roof and new flashing, down spouts, and gutters.	\$573,150
Harbor Hills Public Housing Drainage (Fourth)	Provides for the design and installation of a new drainage system adjacent to the parking lots.	\$202,000

	PROJECTS (New Funding cont'd)	
Project Title (District)	Project Description	Funding
Carmelitos Senior Public Housing Balconies Phase II (Fourth)	Provides for the removal and replacement of the deteriorated balconies of 20 housing units at the Carmelitos Senior housing development. Work will include the replacement of sliding doors, metal railing, rotted wood, deck waterproofing and other necessary work to complete the project.	\$218,000
Foothill Villa Senior Public Housing Interior Unit Flooring (Fifth)	This new project will install new laminated flooring in all housing units at Foothill Villa. The current flooring is old and deteriorated.	\$330,000
	TOTAL:	\$3,878,295

HOUSING AUTHORITY CONTINUING PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

	CONTINUING PROJECTS (Prior Year Funding)	
Project Title (District)	Project Description	Funding
Ujima Village Disposition (Second)	Provides CDBG funds to the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) to pay for temporarily maintain the vacant and demolished Ujima Village housing development pending disposition of the property to the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR).	\$207,033
	TOTAL:	\$207,033

	Total HACoLA CDBG Projects FY 14-15:	\$4,085,328
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